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THE SCHOOL MEET

ENTHUSIASTIC CROWDS ATTEND
THE ANNUAL EVENT.

DEVINE TAKES FIRST PLACE.

Hondo was the mecca for several hundred school people and their friends Friday and Saturday of last week when the annual School Meet was held. Locally but little interest seems to have been taken in the affair in advance and our school dropped from its accustomed place at the head to third place in the ranks of the High Schools.

Some of the county schools, both independent and rural, came fired by enthusiasm and filled with pep and went in to win. The result was an interesting and successful school meet.

The following record of results was kindly furnished us by the Director General of the Meet:

LITERARY EVENTS.
In the Medina County Interscholastic League Meet, held at Hondo, Texas, March 25 and 26, 1927, Devine won the all round meet by the following score:

Devine 127; Yancey 123 1/2; Hondo 7 1/2.

Debate: Boys, Ray Ward and Barrett McCaughan; Girls Debate: Dorothy Burgin and Marguerite Brans of Yancey, Texas.

Senior Boys Declamation: 1st place Claude Burgin of Yancey; 2nd place, Clifton Brown of Devine.

Senior Girls Declamations: 1st place to Olga B. McClain of Devine. Junior Boys Declamations: 1st place to Linwood Sullock of Devine. Junior Girls Declamations: 1st place to Bernice Williamson of Devine.

Sub-Junior Spelling: 1st place, Bernice Chancy and Bernice Speece of Hondo, Texas.

Junior Spelling: 1st place, Olga Jourad and Herbert Huegele of Shookville.

Senior Spelling: 1st place, Alma Geiger and Clara Sattleben of LaCoste.

Essay Writing: 1st place to Myra Strawn of Hondo, Texas.

Rural Essay Writing: Louise Benne of Shookville.

Arithmetic: 1st place to Elma Muennink and Ervin Burgin of Yancey.

Music Memory: 1st place, Caroline Camons and Isabelle Hernandez of Devine.

Junior Boys Rural Declamations: 1st place to Eddie Tripp of LaCoste.

Junior Girls Rural Declamations: 1st place to Thelma Ozell Bilhartz of Biry.

Senior Boys Rural Declamations: 1st place to Paul Geiger of LaCoste.

Senior Girls Rural Declamations: 1st place to Medora Tschirhart of LaCoste.

Three "R" Contest: 1st place to Stanley Mummie of Fly School.

Extemporaneous: 1st place to Iris Strawn of Hondo, Texas.

ATHLETIC EVENTS
Volley Ball to Enterprise. Play-ground ball to Yancey, both boys and girls.

Boys Tennis Doubles to Otis Schuehle and Walter Meyer of Hondo.

Boys Tennis Singles to Nuel Winch of Hondo.

Girls Tennis Doubles to Emma Crane and Viola McCaughan of Yancey.

Girls Tennis Singles to Bob Morris of Devine.

JUNIOR TRACK AND FIELD.
50-yard dash, 1st, Taylor of Hondo; 2nd, Kroeger of LaCoste.

100-yard dash, 1st, Koontz of LaCoste; 2nd, Taylor of Hondo.

440-yard relay, 1st, LaCoste; 2nd, Devine.

Running Broad Jump, 1st, Berry of Yancey; 2nd, Burgin of Yancey.

Running High Jump, 1st, Haass of Hondo; 2nd, Taylor of Hondo.

Pull-up, 1st, Fasel of Yancey; 2nd, Stribling of Devine.

Yancey won this event with a score of 17 1/2 points.

RURAL PENTATHLON.
Bader of Biry, 1st place with a score of 21 points.

SENIOR TRACK AND FIELD
EVENTS
Running High Jump, 1st Cox of Devine and Short of Hondo tied for place.

220-yard dash, 1st Taylor of Devine; Steidle of Hondo 2nd.

Javelin throw, Ward of Yancey, 2d.

1st place; Hardt of Yancey, 2nd. Running Broad jump, Taylor of Devine, 1st, and Hardt of Yancey, 2nd.

Discuss Throw, Hardt of Yancey, 1st, and Taylor of Hondo, 2nd place. Pole Vault, Hardt of Yancey, 1st, and Ward of Yancey, 2nd place.

220-yard low hurdles, Cox of Devine, 1st, and Short of Hondo, 2nd. 100-yard dash, Taylor of Devine, 1st, and Brown of Devine, 2nd.

120-yard high hurdles, Short of Hondo, 1st, and Buss of Hondo, 2nd. 880-yard run, Short of Hondo, 1st, and Brown of Devine, 2nd.

12-lb. Shot Put, Hardt of Yancey, 1st, and Ward of Yancey, 2nd. 440-yard dash, Cox of Devine, 1st, and Morris of Devine, 2nd.

One mile run, Fohn of Yancey, 1st, and A. Vance of Devine, 2nd. Mile Relay, Devine 1st and Yancey 2nd.

LACOSTE LEADS RURAL SCHOOLS.

From LaCoste Ledger.

Our School is very proud of the fact that we went to the County Meet at Hondo and captured all County Championship in the Rural School Division, with a score of 72 1/2 points. We worked hard to accomplish this, and now we are working harder to take all District Honors in Rural Division.

In Declamation: Paul Geiger won first in Senior Boys; Medora Tschirhart won first place in Senior Girls; Eddie Trapp won first in the Junior Division; while Hulda Geiger won second in the Junior Girls Division.

In Spelling: Alma Geiger and Clara Sattleben won first in the Senior Division; while Paula Bippert and Augusta Bippert tied with Yancey for 3rd place in the Sub-Junior Division. Alma Geiger turned in a perfect paper, the only perfect paper at the County Meet, which will be sent to the State, and if graded perfect there she will be awarded a prize and a chance to be State Championship speller.

Ruth Trapp won third place in Essay Writing in the Rural Division while William Trapp won second place in Extemporaneous Speaking.

Our girls Volley Ball Team played good volley ball all the way thru. In the first round they ramped over Yancey girls for an easy victory, but let the Enterprise girls defeat them in the final round. It was a hard fought game but Enterprise took two games from our girls by the close score of 15 to 13 for the first game and the second game by the score of 19 to 17.

Our Junior Boys gave a good account of themselves in track. Lee Allen Koontz won first in the 100 yard dash, while Ernest Kroeger won 3rd. Ernest won 2nd place in the 50 yard dash, while Lee was eliminated for stepping out of his lane. Hugo Reicherzer tied for 3rd place in the pull-up. Our relay team, composed of Lee Allen Koontz, Ernest Kroeger, Walter Geiger and Hugo Reicherzer won the Junior 440 yd. relay easily. Our Junior team played a good game of Play Ground Ball, but lost to Hondo by the score of 6 to 8.

Our Senior Track Team showed up well in competing with Hondo, Devine and Yancey teams. Paul Geiger won 3rd in the 1/2 mile, while Walter Kroeger won 2nd in the 220 yard dash and 3rd in the 440 yard dash. Ralph Ahr won 3rd in the 100 yard dash and 3rd in the 220 yard dash.

This goes to show that LaCoste has material that can be developed into a strong team of any kind. The County Meet is over and LaCoste came out winner in the Rural Division, so now its up to us to get busy and do better at the District Meet which is held at Uvalde on the 15th and 16th of April. The Judges complimented our school for the spirit shown at Hondo and say that LaCoste has a good chance to win District Honors.

What do you say, School, are we going to the District and win? I say we are. Lets go win the District then go win something at the State Meet. Put LaCoste School on the Map for once.

COTTON SEED FOR SALE.
For planting purposes. As good as the best at \$1.00 per bushel. See L. E. KOLLMAN. tf.

CHAUTAUQUA COMING IN MAY.

The Radcliffe Chautauqua will pay its annual visit to Hondo this year on May the 7th, 9th and 10th. As the seventh comes on Saturday there will be a break in the program over Sunday when there will be no entertainment.

The following program is offered for this year:

1st Day.—Afternoon—Entertainment, Herb Morris' Rocky Mountain Quartet; Lecture, "Choosing Your Vocation", Dr. W. C. Weir. Night, Lecture, "The Blind Goddess"—Dr. W. C. Weir; Concert, Herb Morris' Rocky Mountain Quartet.

2nd Day.—Afternoon—Two One-Act Plays, "A Clean Sweep" and "Baby Shoes", The Kempton Players; Lecture, "Choosing Your Habits", Dr. J. William Terry. Night—Lecture, "The Silent Empire", Dr. J. William Terry; Three-Act Drama, "Give and Take", The Kempton Players.

3rd Day.—Afternoon—Entertainment, The Porter Vochestral Party; Lecture, "Choosing Your Ideals", Dr. W. T. S. Culp. Night—Lecture, "The Old Birch Rod", Dr. W. T. S. Culp; Entertainment, The Porter Vochestral Party.

This program would seem to assure a splendid class of entertainment, and it is hoped that the Hondo public will this year accord the Chautauqua a patronage sufficiently liberal to place it on a self-supporting basis.

Keep the dates in mind and talk it up with your neighbors and friends and lets give the entertainers record crowds this year.



Methodist Church, Hondo, Tex.

REVIVAL BEGINS TOMORROW.

Arrangements are going ahead for the revival to begin at the Methodist Church tomorrow at the regular eleven o'clock service. Chaplain A. F. Vaughan will preach at the opening service and will conduct the meeting during its full time of two weeks.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH NOTES.

Next Sunday, April 3:
9:30 A. M., Sunday School; 10:45 A. M., English services; 7:45 P. M., Luther League Meeting.

The topic for the League Meeting will be the Book of Hosea.

Mr. Louis Geuea has applied for church membership.

We are glad to be able to announce that Mr. M. H. Muennink has kindly consented to render the music accompanying the Luther picture to be shown at the Colonial on April 20th. This fact, together with the fact that the music, selected from the old masters such as Bach, Handel, Beethoven, etc., was arranged especially for this picture by the noted organist, Edward Rechlin, and the composer, Spielter, gives us the guarantee that those who hear Mr. Muennink will agree with the Salina, Kansas Journal, that "the music proved to be no small part of the picture."

H. A. HEINEKE,
Pastor.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Bids will be received at the Hondo State Bank by the Secretary of the Hondo Independent School District, at Hondo, Texas, until 2:00 P. M., April 11th, for the erection and completion of a new school building, as well as, alterations to present building. Each bid to be accompanied by a certified check for five per cent (5%), as evidence of good faith. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. A deposit of Twenty-Five (\$25.00) Dollars will be required from each contractor to secure plans.

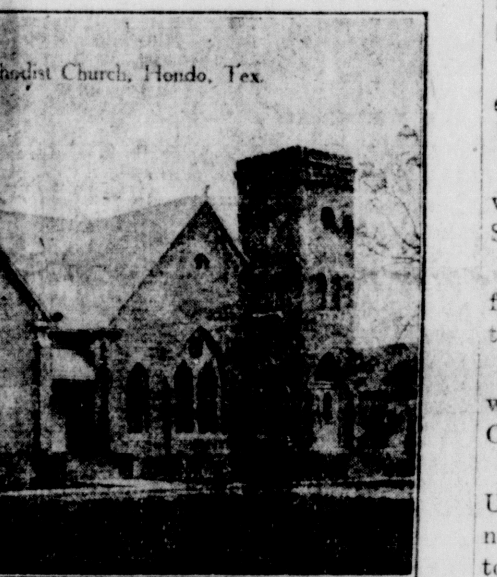
Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the Secretary and Henry T. Phelps, Architect at 519-522 Hicks Building, San Antonio, Texas.

A NEW GARAGE.

Workmen are busy erecting a new garage and filling station on the J. T. Horgor corner opposite the residence of Judge H. E. Haass.

The building will be an ironclad structure throughout with a drive-in filling station in front and a work shop in the rear. The front will be floored with concrete and the interior walls and ceiling will be finished in beaver board, making an attractive sales room.

When completed, the building will be occupied by H. B. Jurney, an expert in his line of automobile repairing. Mr. Jurney has been without a shop since work started on the new Matt Rath brick building.



A BIRTHDAY SURPRISE.

Relatives and friends went up to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben de Grodt and took Mr. de Grodt by surprise on Wednesday night, March 30, the occasion being his 54th birthday. The evening was spent in talking, playing the radio and playing cards. At Ten o'clock, hot coffee, cakes, pies and sandwiches were served to the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Ben de Grodt, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Barth, Mr. and Mrs. George Karm and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Boehle and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Buss and son, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Karm, Grandma Neuman, Miss Mae Filleman and Mr. Wesley de Grodt.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Saathoff couldn't be there on account of their son taking sick.

At eleven o'clock everybody departed for their home, wishing Mr. de Grodt many more happy birthdays.

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE 77TH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT:—

I have definitely decided not to be a candidate for the office of representative at this time, and I will take this opportunity to thank the people who have shown confidence in me, and interest in my welfare.

Very Sincerely,
E. J. MURRAY.

FOR SALE.

My farm, six miles east of Hondo, 86 1/2 acres, good six-room house, good well with windmill, tank and pipes about place, fenced and cross-fenced, 50 acres in cultivation.

4t-pd. FRITZ SAATHOFF.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Every

Issue of

This paper

Is an index

To the town's enterprise;

Is your business creditably indexed?

Vacuum Cleaners for rent, Holloway Bros.

FOR SALE:—Cut flowers by Mrs. Rolf E. Bohmfalk. 4t-pd.

We make your telephone talk, Betta Service Shop. tf.

L. A. Saathoff was a business caller at this office Monday.

Straw hats, priced from 25c to 95c, at Hondo Army Store. 2t.

Spring's Newest Silks and Wash Fabrics—LEINWEBER'S.

M. S. Koch was a business caller at this office Wednesday.

Mrs. Geo. Schweers was a San Antonio visitor Monday.

Fred W. Bohmfalk was a business caller at this office Thursday.

Tennis shoes, all sizes. Priced reasonably at Hondo Army Store. 1t

Fruits and candies of all kinds, at CARLE'S CONFECTIONERY. 33-tf

FOR SALE—Several Big Horses and 1 pair small work mules. R. C. Bless. tf.

Silk Hosiery that lends distinction to one's Spring Costume.—LEINWEBER'S.

Carter & Bader have good values in Second Hand Cars—Dealers in Fords only. 51.

I want your Chickens, Turkeys and Eggs. We pay more EARL WATSON'S. 12-tf.

Tell the world with signs and watch your business grow. Betta Service Shop. tf.

Emil Wolff was over from his farm near D'Hanis Saturday and paid this office a business call.

The ladies of the Methodist Church will serve dinner at the Chamber of Commerce Hall April 26th.

A program will be given at the Upper Quihi School House Saturday night, April 9. Everybody is invited to come.

Taken Up, a young red-spotted wolf dog, branded H. W. on the collar. Owner please notify Alfred Boehle, P. O. Dunlay, Texas. 1t.

Joe Huesser is re-arranging the interior of his cafe and expects to add root-beer and draught beer to his line for the summer.

Beginning Thursday, April 7th and continuing until April 23rd, J. W. Brown's Cash Grocery will have on a special sale of Decker's Bacon and Ham. 1t.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Ross were down from Tarpley Monday shopping. Mr. Ross says that there is a good season in the ground in his section and crop prospects encouraging.

If a stranger picked up a copy of your home town paper and scanned its advertising columns to see what businesses are represented in your town would he find your's represented?

Mr. J. H. Meyer, after a several weeks visit with his son, Dr. H. J. Meyer, and family, left Thursday for his home in Ellinger. He was accompanied as far as San Antonio by his grandson, Walter Meyer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Windrow went down to San Antonio Wednesday to make the acquaintance of their grand-daughter, the babe of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Fusselman, born at Baylor Hospital Tuesday, March 29th.

Steve Koch who has been employed by a sheet metal shop in Houston for several months, is home on a short visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Koch. Steve likes his work and likes the city of Houston.

Elsewhere we print the official statements of our two local banks. The statements show a healthy financial condition of both institutions, and is an index to a like condition of the community as a whole.

Workmen began last Monday laying brick on the new Matt Rath building and the work is progressing rapidly. The front and west side is being faced with a dark red brick of rough finish and is making a very pretty wall. The building is going to be one of the most attractive business houses in Hondo when completed.

A meeting of members of both the Chamber of Commerce and of the Retail Merchant's Association was held at the Chamber of Commerce hall Tuesday night to consider the matter of insurance rates, there being a possibility of a raise in them. It was arranged to send a representative to Austin to join with other towns all over Southwest Texas in protesting any raise at a hearing before the Insurance Commission Thursday morning, but unfortunately at the last moment the representatives selected found themselves unable to attend.

It would cost \$11.20 to send a postal card to each of the Anvil Herald's subscribers, and you would have the labor and expense of writing or printing them and writing the addresses. The Anvil Herald will carry your message—all you could put on a postal card—for only a dollar and save you the labor of preparing and addressing it. Can you beat it?

According to the latest ginners report, there had been ginned in Medina County up to March 21st from the 1926 cotton crop 6,287 bales of cotton. Up to a like period the previous year only 1,910 bales had been ginned. The ginners for the state as a whole over the same periods were: for 1925, 4,098,249 bales; for 1926, 5,456,318 bales.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gilliam and baby motored over from Taft last Saturday for a short visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Gilliam. They returned to their home Sunday accompanied by their little daughter, Evelyn Jane, who had spent the past several weeks here with her grandparents.

Editor Potter, of the Jourdanonton Monitor and a party of friends motored through Hondo Tuesday from a trip out west, and while here our office was favored by a fraternal call from Mr. Potter. Besides being a successful publisher, Mr. Potter has prospered into an affluent capitalist in the prosperous little city of Jourdanonton.

Wanted man for responsible position in your locality with a willingness to learn and an ambition to become independent. Write Central Distributing Co., Spokane, Washington, for particulars. 3t.

Lost, a light bay mare, white, no brand, split in one ear, white spot in one eye, about 14 1/2 hands high, gentle to work. Finder notify H. V. Kappelmann, D'Hanis, Texas. 3t-p.

Kirschbaum and Curlee Suits at prices you usually pay for the ordinary sort. LEINWEBER'S, Medina County's Biggest, Best and Busiest Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Pichot and son, Will, Jr., and Mr. Leonard Pichot were here from Houston over last week-end visiting relatives.

For Sale—A 20-acre tract, suitable for building sites, located in the southeastern part of town. Apply to this office. tf.

Am prepared to drill water wells from 100 to 600 feet. If you need a well write P. O. Box 52, D'Hanis, Texas. 3t-pd.

Star Cars satisfy customer-demands for quality service, Citizens Motor Car Co., A. E. Weynand, Prop. tf.

For Headstones and Monuments see Wm. Newmann, Agent for Nagel Bros. Fredericksburg, Texas. 36-tf.

Let us drain your crank case and refill it with Mobiloil, the cheapest in the long run. Aug. E. Weynand.

For Rent, the John Lebold house in the east part of town. Apply at Anvil Herald office.

Gold Seal Congoleum Rugs, also Linoleum Rugs, at right prices—LEINWEBER'S.

Tennis shoes, all sizes. Priced reasonably at Hondo Army Store. 1t

Smart, New Spring Footwear for the entire family—LEINWEBER'S

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Get it at Windrow's Drug Store. Telephone 124. 1

Old furniture made new, Betta Service Shop. tf.

Sewing Machine repairing, Betta Service Shop. tf.

Window Shades, Holloway Bros.

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DEEDS FILED.

The following deeds have been filed for record since our last report: Trustees of San Antonio Trust to B. F. Kidd, of Nolan County, Texas, warranty deed to 26 91-100 acres being a part of J. Contis Survey No. 26, being off the west side of Lot 11A, Block 12. Consideration \$4,978.35.

Mrs. F. J. Leinweber to Harry Bond and Rebecca Bond, warranty deed to Lots 7 and 8, in Block No. 83, in the town of Hondo. Consideration \$300.00, paid and secured to be paid.

Henry Frerichs and C. J. Bless, Executors of the Estate of Mrs. Anna Frerichs, deceased, to Mfs. Annie Schuehle, warranty deed to Lot No. 6, in Block No. 16. Consideration \$1.00 and other consideration.

Henry Frerichs and C. J. Bless, Executors of the Estate of Mrs. Anna Frerichs, deceased, to R. C. Bless, warranty deed to Lot No. 9, in Block No. 16, except 4 feet of the west side. Consideration \$1.00 and other considerations.

R. C. Bless to Henry Frerichs, warranty deed to Lot No. 9, in Block 16, except 4 feet off the west side. Consideration \$1.00 and other consideration.

Medlake Development Co. to Harry E. Landrum, warranty deed to Lot No. 5, in Block No. 14, Williams Park Subdivision No. 1, situated in Medina County, out of the west one-half of the David Harvey Survey No. 20. Consideration \$200.00.

Trustees of San Antonio Trust to John E. Neely, warranty deed to 23 96-100 acres being out of the Jac Varenne Survey No. 509, comprising the east part of Lot 11A, Block 8. Consideration \$1917.00.

Trustees of San Antonio Trust to W. H. Scott, warranty deed to 20 51-100 acres, being the south 20 51-100 acres of Lot 21A, Block 7. Consideration \$3589.25.

Trustees of San Antonio Trust to Monta E. Hemphill and husband, warranty deed to 10 71-100 acres, being a part of M. W. Dikes Survey No. 27, and comprising a part of Lot 22A, Block 4. Consideration \$1981.35.

A. A. Brooks to E. L. Lewis, warranty deed to all that lot and parcel of land lying and being situated in Medina County, a part of and out of Survey No. 4, patented to Dom. Lieber. Consideration \$250.00.

Theodore Balzen and wife to Geo. H. Balzen, warranty deed to 116 1/2 acres of land out of Survey No. 126, grant d to J. J. Kuykendall. Consideration \$2,000.00 and other considerations.

F. J. Carlo to Anastasia Holibarez De Sanchez, warranty deed to Lot No. 1, Block No. 10, in the town of D'Hanna. Consideration \$160.00.

Trustees of San Antonio Trust to D. E. Walton, warranty deed to 20 acres being a part of A. Campbell Survey No. 447, and comprising the west 20 acres of Lot 24A, Block 7. Consideration \$3500.00.

Anita Lindeburg to Otto G. Lindeburg, warranty deed to 20 acres of land out of the S. E. part of Survey No. 96, patented to Z. Rihn. Consideration \$800.00.

Leopold Haby and wife to Robert E. Haby, warranty deed to 149 4-10 acres of land out of Survey No. 1, situated on the East side of the Medina Lake. Consideration \$10.00 and love and affection.

Arnold Haby et al to Robert E. Haby, warranty deed to 640 acres, all of Survey No. 407, second 284 acres out of Survey No. 402, third 236 acres out of Survey No. 409, and

fourth 62 acres out of Survey No. 403. Consideration \$10.00 and other considerations.

A CHANCE TO WIN A PRIZE.

Forty-three boys and 28 girls from Texas counties traversed by the Missouri Pacific Lines are to be given free trips with all expenses paid to the 1927 annual Farmers Short Course at College Station in August as awards to be made in two contests staged under the supervision of the agricultural agent of that railroad, according to an announcement made by H. R. Safford, Executive Vice President. Rules governing the two contests are now being sent to the county judges, farm agents, home demonstration agents and school superintendents in each county from which awards are to be made.

Last year the Missouri Pacific Lines sent more than 40 Texas boys and girls to the annual Farmers Short Course in the first contest to be held by that railroad, the trip being such a marked success, Mr. Safford said, that decision was made to stage it again this summer. This year there will be separate competition for boys and girls, making it possible to send two prize winners from each county instead of one, as was the case in 1926.

In the boys class a free trip to the annual Farmers Short Course will be given the boy writing the best story of not more than 1,000 words on the "Agricultural Possibilities of My County", papers submitted to be graded by a committee composed of the county judge, farm agent, and school superintendent in the county from which the contestant enters.

In the girls class free trip awards will be made to the girl according to the highest number of points in an official grade of her record book indicating her activity in connection with Girls Home Demonstration Club work as conducted under the direction of the county home demonstration agents under supervision of the extension department of Texas A. & M. College. The home demonstration agent, county judge and school superintendent will compose the committee in each county in which a free trip award is to be made.

Boys entering the contest must also be members of the Boys and Girls Agricultural Clubs in their home counties.

Counties in which awards will be made to boys in the story writing contests include Cameron, Milam, Hardin, Brazos, Gregg, Wood, Montgomery, Tarrant, Travis, Newton, Jefferson, Orange, Robertson, Medina, Walker, Smith, Rusk, Trinity, Nueces, Galveston, Frio, Hidalgo, Cherokee, Ellis, Williamson, Dimmit, Bexar, Hill, San Patricio, Liberty, Jasper, Houston, Anderson, Johnson, Brazoria, Falls, Victoria, Grimes, Freestone, McLennan, Harris, Kleberg, and Jackson.

Counties in which contests will be held for the girls are Frio, Victoria, Jefferson, Jackson, Nueces, Orange, Jasper, Galveston, Walker, Cameron, Smith, Grimes, Williamson, Kleberg, McLennan, Tarrant, Bexar, Anderson, Hidalgo, Houston, Ellis, Travis, Brazos, Johnson, Liberty, Rusk, San Patricio and Harris.

County Agent Jack P. Forgason will co-operate with the Missouri Pacific Lines in conducting contests in Medina County.

All papers and records to be submitted must be in the hands of the committee in Medina County not later than July 1.

BABY CHICKS.

Duty chicks of seven popular breeds: White, Brown and Buff Leghorns; Arconas, Barred Rocks, Red and White Wyandottes. 100 per cent live delivery guaranteed. For particulars and catalog write to W. C. ROBERTS, Agent, Box 75, Devine, Texas.

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When factories come South and locate near the fields, they will not only consume the farmer's raw products but afford him a ready market for the food products of a more diversified agriculture. By all means the South should encourage factories.

THE ONLY WAY OUT.

The seed time of the new year is at hand.

And never, perhaps, in the history of American Agriculture has the American farmer approached the season with more doubts and misgivings as to how to best pitch his crops than at the present time.

With his losses on the 1926 cotton crop fresh in his memory, with the large carry-over from the enormous crop of last year facing him, and the reasonable certainty that anything like another normal crop yield will mean a disastrous price slump that will leave him little the better—if not worse—off for his year's labor, it is small wonder the Southern cotton farmers hesitate about planting their usual acreage to that crop.

They feel, and rightly so, that it is poor business to part with ready money or jeopardize their credit in the pursuit of uncertain returns.

Yet in their extremity to what are they going to turn?

It takes considerable time and capital to expand one's farming operations along the lines of diversification with live stock.

Such recourse offers but meagre possibilities for relief to the vast majority of cotton farmers.

Shall they, then, turn to other crops than cotton? If so, they must, first of all, face the problem of adaptation of soil and climate to other crops; they must consider the matter of equipment of implements and knowledge for handling new crops; and should they succeed, they still must gamble with the risk of glutted markets and unremunerative prices for the products produced.

Among our acquaintances is one farmer who grew no cotton last year but devoted all his time and energy to grain and feed crops.

He still has the great bulk of his corn, oats and hay on hand, and unsalable at anything like a price commensurate with the cost of its production.

Thus does the farmer find himself hedged about by mountains of difficulty no matter which way he would turn.

A gloomy, discouraging prospect you would say?

In the modern day parlance, "It ain't nothing else but!"

But in the midst of all the doubt and perplexity, it is a consoling reflection that it is in times of stress and difficulty that man's resourcefulness most asserts itself.

Necessity is still the mother of invention.

The resourceful man ascertains his difficulties, takes the full measure of them and then makes the best of the circumstances.

He never lets things just drift or plunges on uncertain chances.

A rational consideration of the situation should convince any one that, despite all well meant intentions among farmers to do so, conditions are not going to permit any very material reduction in the acreage normally planted to cotton.

Normal crop conditions then warrant the assumption that prices will be low, and the cost of production on all crops must be kept at the lowest possible price if any profit is expected.

As an offset to diminishing profit returns living costs must come down.

The only way to bring them down is to purchase less and produce more of the necessities of life on the farm.

And here the farmer meets the problem of enlarging his scheme of diversification so as to meet a larger proportion of his needs.

This way and this way only will

lead him out of the mountains of difficulty in which he is now lost.

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2. The Contest is open to anyone living any place in the United States.
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4. Collaboration is permissible, but collaborating parties must not submit more than one list. Any list sent in that may be found to have been compiled by one and the same person or group of persons, will be rejected and not counted.
5. In case of a tie, duplicate prizes will be awarded.
6. Webster's New International Dictionary, 1928 edition, will be used in determining the correctness of words.
7. Words must be written on one side of the paper only and must be numbered consecutively. No list will be counted which does not conform to this rule. Prepare your list neatly. Name and address must appear on each sheet.
8. Three executive officers of The National Farm News will act as judges in the Contest, and contestants agree to accept their decision as final and conclusive.
9. All lists of words and accompanying subscriptions must bear a postmark not later than Saturday, March 25, 1927. Each list must be accompanied by a yearly subscription to The National Farm News at \$1.00, and all such lists will be promptly acknowledged. Winners will be announced in The National Farm News.

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D'HANIS NEWSLETS

A round-up of Local, Personal and Business Items gathered weekly by our Regular Correspondent

Miss Thelma Ladsgeld

to whom all items intended for this column should be handed not later than Wednesday noon of each week. Miss Ladsgeld is authorized to collect and accept for money due this paper.

Mr. Clinton Rothe of Eagle Pass spent the week-end here with his mother, Mrs. Mary Rothe.

Miss Hulda Ney of San Antonio spent the week-end at home with her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Ney.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Finger and son, Edward, and Mrs. Victor Boog spent Friday in San Antonio.

Mrs. Hy. R. Wernette returned home Thursday from a trip to San Antonio and New Braunfels on a visit to relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Reinhart had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Koch, Mrs. C. L. Klasing and children of San Antonio and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Finger and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Finger of Hondo.

Miss Elsie Nehr returned home one day last week after several days visit at San Antonio with her sister, Mrs. P. W. Decker.

Miss Nettie Rieber and little Clinton Carle returned home Saturday after several days visit at Utopia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williams were visiting Mrs. Martin Knippa at the hospital at San Antonio.

Miss Lena Reinhart spent Monday and Tuesday at San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rohrbach of Utopia spent the week-end here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ney of San Antonio spent Sunday here with relatives.

Mrs. T. E. Wyatt and daughter, Mrs. Graham, of Sabinal, spent Sunday here with Mrs. Mary Garteiser.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Koch are glad to hear that they have moved to our midst after several years living in San Antonio. May they have the prosperity due to them.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Finger and daughter, Mary Ann, Mr. Louis Carle and Mrs. Ben Koch and children spent Sunday in San Antonio.

The remains of Mr. William Little were brought in Tuesday from Corpus Christi. The news of his death was a shock to his relatives and friends here. His remains were accompanied here by his widow and Mr. Wm. Enderle of San Antonio.

Messrs. Herman Fohn and Chas. Langfield attended the School Meet at Hondo Saturday.

Mrs. Raymond Ney spent Friday afternoon in Hondo.

Mrs. N. S. Jackson is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Frank Curtis at Utopia this week.

Misses Irene Finger and Dorothy Hubbard, Mrs. Lizzie Ney and Mr. Joe Mueller spent Thursday at San Antonio.

Mrs. Harry Mueller returned to her home in San Antonio Sunday.

Mr. Jack Lucy made a business trip to San Antonio Tuesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carle, a nine pound girl on Sunday, March 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Boog and Messrs. Allen Koch, Clement and James Finger attended a ball game at San Antonio Wednesday.

Clint Rothe of Eagle Pass spent Saturday and Sunday visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. F. Rothe.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Martin and little son, C. E., Jr., of Pearsall were guests of Mrs. F. Rothe Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rothe of San Antonio spent Monday and Tuesday at their ranch visiting Mrs. F. Rothe.

DIED.

Mr. William Arthur Little died at Corpus Christi Monday, March 28, 1927. His body was shipped to Hondo and buried in the Catholic cemetery Wednesday following. The funeral service was from the home of his brother-in-law, John Rieber, and Rev. Father F. Maas performed the last sad rites.

Mr. Little was born in Stephenson, Michigan, nearly forty-seven years ago. On May 27, 1920, he was married to Miss Anna Enderle, a former Hondo girl. Their home was in Houston, but Mr. Little was traveling for the music house of Smith Manufacturing Co. and had just arrived at Corpus Christi to canvass the area when he took sick and died very suddenly.

The pall bearers were Messrs. Ed Koch, Martin Nester, John Nester, Oscar Tondre, Louis Carle, Jr., and Martin Zinsmeyer.

The large attendance at the funeral and the beautiful floral offerings testified the deep sympathy of all

for his bereaved and sorrowing companion.

May he rest in peace.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank one and all for the many acts of kindness and the many expressions of sympathy extended us in our bereavement, and especially do we appreciate your presence and your beautiful floral offerings at the funeral of our beloved husband and brother, William Arthur Little.

Gratefully yours,
Mrs. William Arthur Little,
and Brothers and Sisters.

AMONG THE DRILLERS.

Williams et al. in Medina County on the Finger tract is drilling at 770 feet Thursday in the No. Fohn in the Finger Survey No. 115 southwest of Hondo a few miles and has a showing of oil and gas in sand at that depth. The log is running somewhat different from that of the No. 1 Fohn, according to the driller, and the well is showing more gas. It is expected to be an Edwards lime test unless oil is found about that depth. —Saturday's Express.

GRAY'S WELL IN MEDINA COUNTY HAS SET CASING.

HONDO, Tex., March 29.—J. H. Gray et al.'s No. 1 L. P. Mann in Medina County, north of the Ina fields finished setting casing late Monday afternoon. It set 1,000 feet of 6 inch and 150 feet of liner perforated with small holes will be set after the cement plug is drilled out which will be next Sunday.

Total depth of the well is 1,158 feet as compared with about 950 total depth in the wells in the Ina field a couple of miles south. The oil in the Gray test is also said to be lighter than in the Ina field where the heavy oil has made it difficult to pump. The oil is creating considerable interest here and the test will be watched with more than ordinary interest.

Regular cement was used and not quick set and hence it will require a full week for the cement to set. Quite a number of the oil men in Hondo who have seen the showings of the oil from this well believe that it will make a well and concede that it is looking good. —Wednesday's Express.

FIVE PRODUCERS OF MEDINA OIL MAKE 34 BARRELS.

Medina Oil Company's No. 11 Taylor at 351-74 feet in Medina County south of Hondo made a five barrel well. It is a few feet from the No. 1, Taylor, the discovery well which made a big well at only 356 feet. The No. 11 is a replacement well to the No. 1 and the No. 1, which was drilled with a big rig, will be carried down to a deep test. The No. 1 rig drilled a hole 4,250 feet deep on one occasion.

The No. 1 Taylor which for a time when first completed a year ago made over 100 barrels of oil a day, is now making 12½ barrels. The No. 11 is only about 40 feet away and it is planned to shoot the No. 11 with 10 quarts of nitro.

Five producing wells of the Medina Oil Company in the field discovered by the company four miles south of Hondo are now making a total of 34 barrels a day on the pump and the production has been holding steady at that figure for some time. As soon as the No. 11 is shot and put on production the No. 1 will start to deepen. The rig which has never been removed, is being gotten in shape to start drilling now.

Both Mr. Johnson and Mr. Blumquist of the Medina Oil Company were in San Antonio the first of this week. Their deep test it is proposed to carry down as long as there is any hope of production. It will not stop at the Edwards unless it gets production there. It is a cable tool rig and will not likely pass up anything that has a chance of producing. The test will be of considerable interest. Geologists say there is much to be learned about Medina County and especially at the lower levels. —Wednesday's Express.

Wheelless and Peters No. 1 Berger in Medina County northwest of Castroville was about 10 feet into the Georgetown at 1,265 feet Tuesday and a few days more drilling will take it into the top of the Edwards lime which is the objective of the test. —Wednesday's Express.

Swayze's No. 1 Oefinger in Medina County at something below 200 feet

No. 113 Official Statement of the Financial Condition of

THE HONDO STATE BANK

At Hondo, State of Texas, at the close of business of the 23rd day of March 1927, published in the Hondo Anvil Herald, a newspaper printed and published at Hondo, State of Texas, on the 2nd day of April, 1927.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts, undoubtedly good on personal or collateral security	\$ 165,133.41
Loans secured by real estate, worth at least twice the amount loaned thereon	4,645.00
Overdrafts, undoubtedly good	2,695.48
Real Estate (banking house)	6,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	3,098.50
Cash on hand	14,700.33
Due from approved reserve agents	28,621.49
Interest in Depositor's Guaranty Fund	1,308.24
Assessment Depositor's Guaranty Fund	3,549.97
Miscellaneous Collections	1,063.06
TOTAL	\$ 230,815.48

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	\$ 30,000.00
Other Surplus Fund	15,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	866.70
Dividends unpaid	15.00
Individual Deposits subject to check on which no interest is paid	184,933.78
TOTAL	\$ 230,815.48

STATE OF TEXAS

County of Medina.

We, H. F. King, as President, and J. R. Chancey, as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

H. F. KING, President,
J. R. CHANCEY, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of March, A. D. 1927.

(L. S.) HENRY MERRIMAN,
Notary Public, Medina County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST:

GEO. MUENNINK,
D. H. FLY,
P. JUNGMAN.
Directors.

has a caving hole and is setting casing to protect the hole. The well is northwest of Castroville. —Wednesday's Express.

Medina Gas and Fuel Company and C. E. Lange's No. 4 Adams set casing at 944 and is to drill in Friday of this week. The Yantis well No. 1 Chandler in the Adams gas field was to drill in and test Tuesday. Henderson and Holden are starting another test in the Adams gas field. It is on Survey No. 461 and is 391 feet from the north line and 860 feet from the west line. It is on the E. B. Chandler estate 480 acre tract. The lease offsets on the south the lease on which Western Gas & Fuel and C. E. Lange are drilling. —Wednesday's Express.

Witherspoon has set surface casing in his No. 1 Nixon west of the Adams gas field. —Wednesday's Express.

Switzer has ordered out 6½-inch casing to set at 2,760 in his No. 1 Zerr in Medina County northwest of Hondo. The casing is set for the purpose of protecting the hole from caving and to shut off water. —Wednesday's Express.

Western Gas & Fuel and C. E. Lange have set casing on the No. 10 Adams. A new system of numbering is being used in the field. Western Gas & Fuel drilled four wells on the Adams land all but the first producers. The first well drilled by Lange is called the Western Gas & Fuel-Lange No. 5, his second the No. 6 and third the No. 7. Witherspoon's first well is called Western Gas & Fuel-Witherspoon No. 8 and his second on the Adams the No. 9 and Lange's fourth well the Western Gas & Fuel-Lange No. 10. Western Gas & Fuel takes the gas from all the wells and the numbers run consecutively.

The Yantis well on the Chandler tested salt water at 957 and is drilling deeper. The well is in the southeastern part of the Chandler tract. Of 500 acres off the east end

Charter No. 5765

Report of Condition of

Reserve District No. 11

LET'S HELP THE OTHER FELLOW

The First National Bank

at Hondo, in the State of Texas,
AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON MARCH 23, 1927.

RESOURCES.

1. Loans and discounts, including rediscounts, acceptances of other banks, and foreign bills of exchange or drafts, sold with indorsement of this bank (except those shown in Item 1-b)	\$237,521.27
TOTAL LOANS	\$ 237,521.27
2. Overdrafts, secured, none; unsecured	\$3,097.58
3. U. S. Government Securities Owned: a. Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. Bonds par value)	50,000.00
b. All other United States Government securities (including premiums, if any)	11,600.00
TOTAL	61,600.00
4. Other stocks, bonds, securities, etc., owned	64,250.00
6. Banking, House \$3,604.53; Furniture and Fixtures, \$3,068.95	6,673.48
7. Real estate owned other than banking house	17,520.00
8. Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	37,731.49
10. Cash in vault and amount due from national banks	152,648.34
Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13	152,648.34
15. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	2,500.00
18. Other assets, if any	60.49
TOTAL	\$ 583,602.65

LIABILITIES.

19. Capital Stock paid in	50,000.00
20. Surplus Fund	24,000.00
21. a. Undivided profits	16,184.84
c. Less current expenses paid	3,278.93
23. Circulating notes outstanding	49,100.00
28. Cashier's checks outstanding	256.00
Total of Items 24, 25, 26, 27, and 28	256.00
Demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):	
Individual deposits subject to check	307,698.91
31. State, County, or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank or surety bond	131,259.83
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, and 34	438,958.74
43. Bills payable (including all obligations representing money borrowed other than rediscounts)	8,382.00
TOTAL	\$ 583,602.65

State of Texas, County of Medina, ss:

I, Horace Bradley, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of March, 1927.

(L. S.) R. J. NOONAN,
County Judge, Medina County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
GEO. MUENNINK,
ED. DE MONTEL,
J. M. FINGER.

DIRECTORS.

of the Chandler land, 200 acres off the north part is held by Henderson & Holden and the south 300 acres is divided into three 100-acre tracts the division lines running north and south. The Yantis well is on the middle 100-acre tract, 160 feet from the north line and 460 feet from the west. This brings it about a mile southeast of the nearest gas production in the Adams field. Had it made a well it would have extended the field. The Henderson & Holden well in the northeast corner of the Charles Decker survey No. 461 located 390 feet from the north line and 860 feet from the west line, is closer in to production, but it will extend the field a little to the southeast if it makes a well. It is two or three miles northwest from the Yantis well. Friday's Express.

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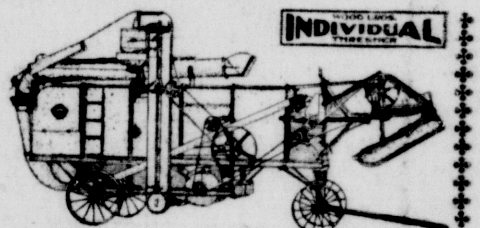
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And return to help build up your business.

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Ladies, see our new Spring Hats. Jones Brothers.

Mrs. Andrew Bless and Miss Elvira Rothe were San Antonio visitors Thursday.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Stiegler on Tuesday, March 29th.

Mrs. Ray Taylor and daughter, Miss Rhoda Mae, were San Antonio visitors Thursday.

Miss Elsie Buss left Friday for Houston for a visit with her brother, Earnest Buss, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Murray and Mrs. F. H. Schweers were guests of Mrs. Herman Vogel at D'Hanis Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Heath and daughter of San Antonio were last week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Heath.

Mrs. F. S. Cockrell and Master Billy returned to San Antonio Sunday after a several days visit with friends here.

Quite a number of people from here attended the funeral of the late Adam Droitcourt at Castroville last Monday morning.

Mrs. J. T. Kinnard, who had spent the past month here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Rothe, returned to her home at Luling Monday.

Let us Vulcanize your tubes and tires. Moderate prices and satisfactory service. Citizens Motor Car Co., Aug. E. Weynand, Prop.

Miss Anne Davis was home from Our Lady of the Lake College for the County Meet and to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Davis.

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MEN, AND ALL THE MEN
WHO KNOW ANYTHING
ABOUT HER ARE
DEAD.

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Mr. and Mrs. Water Short and Mrs. E. W. Lacy went to San Antonio Tuesday to visit their relative, Mrs. Will Robertson, of La Grange, who is ill at the Santa Rosa Hospital. Mrs. Robertson's mother, Mrs. Ella Woolls, is at her bedside. Mr. Short and Mr. Lacy returned home Tuesday, but Mrs. Short remained in San Antonio to be with her sister, Mrs. Woolls.

If you are a reader of Ferguson's Forum or want to read it, remit your renewal or subscription through this office. The Forum is still a live factor in Texas politics and you need it to keep yourself informed. Send \$1.00, the regular price of the Forum, to us and receive both it and FARMING for a year. Fletcher's Farming, Hondo, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Bulgerin and little son, Herbert Allen, and Miss Amelia Bendele were the guests of Mr. Bulgerin's mother, Mrs. F. C. Bulgerin, in San Antonio Saturday and Sunday, returning home Sunday evening.

A cool wind from the west Thursday drove away some good prospects for rain, and was a disappointment to our farmers, many of whom are needing rain on their oat crop.

The Anvil Herald's phone No. is 127. Use the phone when you need job printing or advertising and you will be waited on by a representative of the paper.

The dinner given at the Chamber of Commerce hall last Saturday netted the Civic League about \$120.00, which will be used for the upkeep of Hondo's parks.

Be sure to take advantage of our club rates in ordering your papers. F. J. Saathoff was a business caller at this office Thursday.

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You will enjoy
Our home journal;
The two together one year for \$2.
Vacuum Cleaners for rent, Holloway Bros.

Furnished room for rent, Mrs. J. S. Fly.
Jack Karm paid this office an appreciated call Thursday.

County Court convenes for the April term next Monday.

Robert Schroeder is now employed at the depot at North Uvalde.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bless went to San Antonio Thursday on business.

Edw. and Tom Cameron were business visitors to San Antonio Thursday.

There will be a big baseball game on the Quihi diamond at 3 o'clock tomorrow evening.

Mrs. H. Elms of Leakey is here visiting her sister, Mrs. J. E. Allen, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rieber and sister, Mrs. Anna Little, were over from D'Hanis Thursday on business.

For Sale, three town lots at a bargain price if taken at once. In a good location. See or phone J. F. Reus or A. E. Weynand.

Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Wood, of San Antonio, spent Sunday here with their mother and sister, Mrs. Chas. Wood and Mrs. Edw. Cameron.

It will pay you to watch our clubbing rates. We can sometimes make you substantial savings on the subscription price of your papers and magazines and at the same time, by subscribing through this office, you can help us extend the circulation of Farming. In this way we both profit.

You write letters occasionally. Why not use printed stationery? We will furnish you a box of 200 note-sheets and 100 envelopes, all neatly printed with your name and address, for only \$1.00. You can't beat it. Call and let us fix you up, or mail us a dollar bill and we will mail them to you post paid anywhere within the radius of this paper's circulation. Address The Fletcher Davis' Print Shop, Hondo, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Heath went to San Antonio Monday evening and on Tuesday at noon Mrs. Heath underwent an operation for the removal of her tonsils. Late reports from the hospital brought the news that Mrs. Heath was doing well but would have to remain in the hospital for a few days longer. Mr. Heath and Lieut. and Mrs. C. D. Eddelman are expected out from San Antonio this (Friday) evening.

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Special Prices 10c and 20c.
Attend The Matinee.

John Henry Meyer and William Van Fleet, Hondo's two representatives at the Schreiner Institute, Kerrville, returned to their work Sunday afternoon after taking in the School Meet here and ending a visit to homefolks. They informed that Wilburn has been elected editor of The Mountain the Schreiner school paper, for a session. This responsible post carries with it not only an honor and distinction of which he can be proud, but we understand is accompanied by substantial financial emoluments which will help him in furtherance of his educational endeavors. We extend the young man congratulations on his good fortune.

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Mrs. Chas. Fuos came out from San Antonio Wednesday to be with her mother, Mrs. Heyo Schwab. Mrs. A. E. Saathoff who had nursing her mother returned to home at D'Hanis.

Mrs. Ed. de Montel, who has with her daughter, Mrs. Carl H. Schilling, at Camp Lewis, Washington, for the past three months, expected to arrive home this week.

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Aviation Coffee	1.44	Dried Apples	
Magnolia Coffee, Cup and Saucer	1.20	Large Can Peaches	
Best Flour	2.05	Del Monte Sliced Pine-apple	
Best Meal	.54	Potted Ham	
Stock Salt	.95	Cottage Brand Sardines	
Block Salt	.44	Chili Con Carne	
Sulphur Salt	.54	Good Can Peas	
100 lb Sugar	6.95	Good Can Corn	
Box Crystal White Soap	4.00	Large Can Pork & Beans	
Large Box Oatmeal	.22	Small Can Pork & Beans	
Post Toasties	.15	Large Bottle Catsup	
Pinto Beans	.07 1/2	Large Bucket Penick Syrup	
Vinegar Gallon	.34	3 Boxes Matchless	

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JACOSTE LEDGERETS

from The LaCoste Ledger.

August Tschirhart from Castroville was a LaCoste visitor last Friday.

Albert Mechler from the Sauz was a LaCoste visitor Wednesday.

Messrs. Hugo Bourquin and Gabe Hans were LaCoste visitors Tuesday.

E. J. Keller was a San Antonio visitor Monday.

Mr. H. Jackle of San Antonio was a visitor here Thursday.

Mrs. Rachel Koontz and son, Archie, were Castroville visitors Wednesday.

Dan Burell from Castroville was a visitor here Wednesday.

Mrs. Robert Tondre of Macdona was a LaCoste visitor Tuesday.

Miss Teresa Hans of Castroville was visiting here Wednesday afternoon.

George Frey and son, Tom, from Spindletop were LaCoste visitors Monday.

Messrs. Frank and Adolph Wurzbach from above Riomedina were business visitors here Wednesday.

R. U. Atkins, General Manager of San Antonio Trust, was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Biediger were San Antonio visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Halty from above Castroville were business visitors here Monday.

Miss Cecil Droitecourt and brother, Oscar, of Castroville visited with relatives here Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Bippert from the Sauz were LaCoste visitors Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Biediger and sons were visitors at the Medina Lake Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Biediger spent Sunday afternoon with Jacob Stein and family at Cliff.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Mangold and family from Castroville spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mangold and children from Noonan were short visitors here last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Christilles and daughter and Miss Agnes Christilles were San Antonio visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus A. Keller and Mrs. Ferd. Ahr were San Antonio visitors Tuesday.

Com. A. H. Tondre and son, Clark, from Castroville were visitors here Tuesday.

Frank Keller Jr., of St. Mary's College in San Antonio spent last week-end with homefolks here.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Zinsmeyer and daughters and Mrs. August Keller were San Antonio visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Biediger and daughter from Spindletop and Anton Bohl were LaCoste visitors last Friday.

Mrs. F. S. Dunn left here Monday for Schulenburg, Texas, where she will join her husband who is holding a position there with the S. P. Ry. Co.

Rev. and Mrs. W. N. Roberts from Devine were visiting Mrs. Rachel Koontz and children here last Friday evening.

C. J. Blum, Supt. of Medina Dis-

trict of the South Texas Public Service Co., was a short business visitor here Tuesday.

Frank Tondre and son, Paul E., from near Castroville took some cattle to San Antonio market Tuesday in their Chevrolet truck. On their way home they passed through LaCoste and paid the Editor a short call.

Mrs. I. F. Burditt and children and Mrs. Robert Nickell of Del Rio and Mrs. D. J. Herzog and children from Kirby spent several days last week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hawkes, here.

NEW ADDITION TO HONDO.

The new Barkuloo Addition to Hondo offers ideal building sites for exclusively white homes. If you are interested in a desirable building site, either for immediate building or as an investment, you should see these pretty lots. A plot of the addition can be seen at the Anvil Herald office, and we are authorized to quote you prices and terms on any unsold portion of the Addition. Come around and look over the plot.

BABY CHICKS FOR SALE.

Baby chicks from Tanere and M. Johnson strain White Leghorns, hatched in March, \$14.00; April, \$13.00; May, \$12.00 per hundred. Also White Cornish Game Eggs, \$1.00 per 15 eggs.

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Mrs. W. S. Ezell has been on the sick list this week.

Mrs. P. Jungman was a visitor to San Antonio Thursday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Garrett, on Thursday, March 31st, a boy.

Dr. J. F. Beckmeyer was out from San Antonio on business Wednesday.

Mrs. Effie Price is here from San Antonio visiting her sister, Mrs. Ray Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Spellman, of Yancey, are entertaining a new son, which was born on March 29th.

Mrs. Chas. Wood and grandson, Wood Cameron, and Mr. Arthur Lutz of D'Hanis motored to San Antonio Friday evening.

Get three of your friends to join you in a club and all four of you receive FARMING a year for \$2.00 for the club.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Nester returned Sunday from their honeymoon trip to Brownwood, Corpus Christi and points in Mexico.

Prof. P. P. Brewster left yesterday afternoon for Austin on a business trip. He was accompanied by A. S. Burger, the Anvil Herald's job and ad man, who went to pay a visit to his family in Austin. The trip is being made in automobile.

GOVERNMENT BY MINORITIES.

Voting ought to be viewed as a privilege, rather than an irksome duty to be avoided whenever possible. It should be regarded as an opportunity to function as a citizen—an obligation of citizenship in a country where citizenship really means something.

The rapid decline of the popular vote in the last score of years shows that far too many people have subscribed to the false doctrine that a few votes more or less will not change the result, and that they need not waste the time or energy to vote.

They neglect to recognize that the grand total is made up of single votes—that one voter can speak as emphatically and decisively as another.

A full and free expression of the popular will is not recorded, when more than half of the voters remain at home refusing to do their duty as citizens.

The growing tendency to remain away from the polls is alarming, and is an actual peril confronting our representative form of government. Any citizen who does not vote, unless he has good and sufficient reasons for not voting, is not living up to his responsibilities, and in the last analysis, does not deserve citizenship in the "Land of the free and the home of the brave."—Townsend, Montana, Star.

WANTED—FARMS, LANDS AND TOWN PROPERTY.

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Preaching 7:15 P. M.

Missionary Society, First and Third Mondays 3:00 P. M.
Philathea Class, Second and Fourth Tuesdays 3:00 P. M.

Prayer-Meeting, Wednesday each week, 7:15 P. M.

An invitation is cordially extended to every one to attend these services. "Come thou with us, and we will do thee good."—Numbers 10:29. W. S. EZELL, Pastor.

A house, be it mansion or hovel, is never quite a home until a woman's hand twines a blooming vine about it some where. Where a woman's heart and hand is, there is home and happiness for some one, be the home ever so humble.

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TOMATO SAUCE	.05
TOMATO SAUCE DEL MONTE	2 for .15
LYE HOMINY	.09
TAPIOCA	.12
COCOA 1/4 lb CAN	.18
COCOA SMALL CAN	.09
SPAGHETTI NO. 1 CAN	.09
TAMALES NO. 2	.20
GEBHARDT'S BEANS, CAN	.09
ARMOUR PORK & BEANS	.09
COTTAGE BRAND SARDINES	.05
BLUE RIBBON PEACHES, 2 lb Pkg.	.42
BLUE RIBBON MALT	.70
FANCY PRUNES, 2 lb Pkg.	.28
SEEDLESS RAISINS, PER lb	.10
MUSTARD, QT.	.23
DEL MONTE PINEAPPLE SLICED	.15
DEL MONTE NO. 1 YELLOW CLING PEACHES	.18
GOOD GRADE MATCHES, 7 Boxes for	.25
SLICED PEACHES SMALL SIZE	.10
48 lb BEST FLOUR	2.10
48 lb GOOD FLOUR	2.00
25 LBS. CORN MEAL	.55
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10c SPICES	.09

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Our Castroville Page

Local, Personal and Business Items from This Busy Burg

CASTROVILLE, TEXAS, FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 1927.

ED. HUEHNER, Local Representative

News or business matter for this page for the week's issue should be submitted to Mr. Huehner or mailed direct to us at Hondo not later than Wednesday night of each week.

Deputy Sheriff, John Milam, was down from the Big Dam Country last Wednesday on business bound.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vonfle, accompanied by Rudolph Mueller, were San Antonio business visitors Wednesday.

Carpenter Louis Fuos was a business visitor to LaCoste Wednesday.

Mrs. Ed. Hans and daughter, Miss Theresa, and Miss Clara Hans, of this place, and Miss Adelina Keller of LaCoste, were Alamo City visitors Thursday.

What was supposed to be a rabid dog bit Ambrose Naegelin, second oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Naegelin, of French Settlement, three times while the young man tried to chase him away. The young man was taken to Pasture Infirmary for medical treatment. We have failed to learn as to the medical diagnosis up-to-date.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tragger were at San Antonio the middle of the week on business bound.

Mrs. Alfred Kempf and Thomas Hans also visited San Antonio one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Hoefling and Mr. and Mrs. August Schorp of San Antonio were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert de Montel Sunday.

Mesdames Aug. Ahr and Mary Riddle, of San Antonio, visited kin-folks and friends in our midst Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Groff and twin sons of San Antonio spent Sunday with relatives and friends in our midst.

We are indeed glad to state that Alfred Mann, who has been pretty sick for the past two weeks, is able to be up and about again.

Howard Tschirhart was at San Antonio Monday on business bound.

Mr. Chas. Graff Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Adolph J. Graff and family and Mrs. C. L. Graff, of Hondo, attended the funeral of the late Adam Droicourt. While conversing with Adolph he informed us that he is still in the red hog business and has some choice registered males for sale. Adolph also says that Hondo community needs rain very badly. This section is in the same fix, for if our farmers fail to get a good soaking rain in the near future this season's oat crop will be cut very short.

Mr. Paul Haass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Haass, and Miss Kate Love, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Love, were happily married at the Lutheran Church here this (Tuesday) morning. Rev. Walter Kralik performed the ceremony. We join in wishing them Bon Voyage.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Davis and

DEVINE NEWSLETS.

From The Devine News.

From Yancey.

After several weeks of preparation for the County Interscholastic Meet, the teachers and contestants of this place went to Hondo Friday and Saturday to participate in the different events. Most of the patrons of the school were there both days and a large per cent of the pupils attended. From all reports it was a success and Yancey took several first places, and seconds. The pupils have been very industrious in their studies and the teachers who coached the various parts spared no effort in preparing the pupils to make good records.

Rev. Martin returned from Bryan after an absence of about a week. Mrs. Martin and baby remained for another week's visit with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Pas.

Miss Alma Mae Faseler spent a week with relatives in Austin returning Friday.

We are very glad to report that Mrs. C. J. Oefinger returned home Sunday after several weeks' stay in San Antonio. Mrs. Oefinger has recovered from her recent serious operation and every body is happy over her good fortune.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Minica from Moore were in Yancey Monday.

Hank Radetzky, Elmer and Earl Kueck are here on a visit to Milton Oefinger. The three young men were former students of Yancey High

Misses Lucille de Montel and Octavia and Lucy Davis were over from Hondo Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert de Montel.

Prof. Engelking and Miss Halliburton accompanied a number of their pupils to Hondo Friday where they participated in the County Meet.

Misses Anne and Hazel de Montel returned Sunday from Hondo where they had been to the School Meet. They were accompanied home by Misses Rhoda Mae Taylor and Irene Haass.

DIED.

Adam Droicourt died in San Antonio, Texas, Sunday, March 27, 1927, at the age of 73 years, 6 months and 5 days. He was born in North Vernon, Indiana, Sept. 22, 1853, and came to Texas Feb. 7, 1877, where he was married April 22, 1879, to Kate Droicourt (nee Conrad) who preceded him in death Dec. 29, 1922. To their union eight children were born, namely: five sons, J. J. Droicourt of Hondo, J. O. Droicourt of LaCoste and John E., Fred E. and Oscar W. Droicourt of Castroville; three daughters, Olga, Cecilia and Hedwig Droicourt, also of Castroville. Besides these children, he is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Kate Weber, Mrs. Lena Bantz and Sister Mary Rose, all of Indiana, and ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The corpse was brought to his home from where it was escorted to St. Louis Church, and after a Requiem Mass Monday morning was laid to rest at St. Louis Cemetery, Rev. Father Heckman performing the last sad Rites. A good man has gone to his last reward, as a devout Christian, a dutiful husband, a loving father, a law abiding citizen and a kind and accommodating neighbor, respected by all who came in contact with him. One of the largest concourses of mourning relatives and friends escorted the mortal remains to its last resting place.

We sincerely join this entire community in sympathy with the bereaved and grief-stricken ones.

May he rest in peace.

CARD OF THANKS.

We adopt this method of thanking one and all of our friends for their kind assistance rendered us during the illness and death of our beloved father, Adam Droicourt, for the many floral offerings, and also all those who attended the funeral.

Sincerely Yours,
THE CHILDREN.

School and did not see how the boys and girls could enjoy the County Meet without their presence.

Misses Ruth McClaugherty, Jeanette Kimmey, Regina Nester and Elizabeth Wilson of Hondo were guests of Miss Dorothy Burgin Sunday.

Thursday and Saturday nights there was a broncho riding exhibition given by Mr. Mays, who has quite a number of horses, mules and donkeys that have been trained to cut cappers while being ridden. A good crowd attended both nights and the folks who witnessed the sights report an enjoyable evening.

Miss Lela Oakley took advantage of the school vacation and paid a visit to homefolks at Lampasas, also Miss Luella Shumaker spent the week-end with homefolks at Kerrville.

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Misses Maudie and Winnie Hamil had as their guests for the week-end their sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wooten of Gonzales, and also Miss Zollie Kelly, who teaches at the Lanford Community. These ladies were all students at Huntsville formerly.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Nixon returned from Brownwood Sunday where they attended the funeral of a brother-in-law.

Miss Elsie Buss, who has been a daily assistant mail carrier for months, left last Saturday for Houston in response to a telegram from her brother, Ernest, who has been engaged in a garage there for the past year. We certainly miss the young lady and hope she will not prolong her stay too long.

Mr. Will Andrews and sister from San Antonio spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. Jess Duncan and family. Mr. Will Andrews and sister, Mr. Rudolph Duncan and sister, Miss Marguerite, Mr. Aubrey Evans and sister, Miss Margaret, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wooten and Misses Mandie and Winnie Hamil spent Sunday at the Medina Lake.

Prof. and Mrs. W. N. Saathoff and family visited relatives in Yancey Sunday.

Miss Evelyn Harrell, who is attending school here, spent several days with homefolks in San Antonio, returning Sunday.

Mr. Obed Klein and Mr. Dorris Alexander are attending a college at Keene. Both of these young men have employment in the broom factory there, thereby attaining funds to pay for tuition.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Baker went to Carrizo Springs Saturday on a short visit to relatives and friends.

Grandma Bohmfalk is spending a week with her son, Mr. Fritz Bohmfalk, in Hondo.

Mr. Emmett Berry came in from Rendado last Thursday where he has been employed by the Grayburg Oil Company. He will leave for Bruni in a few days where he has employment for the Cole Petroleum Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Oefinger and son, Benjamin, of Hondo were here on a short visit to Mr. C. J. Oefinger and family Sunday.

From Biry.

Mr. Raymond Blackburn spent Saturday in Devine.

Mr. and Mrs. John Love and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ham Love and Tiney of Devine spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Love. Quite a number from here attended the County Meet at Hondo.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Posch and son spent Saturday evening in Devine. The boys and girls of Biry school went over to Yancey and played baseball with Yancey Wednesday.

Mrs. Barney Moss and baby of Yancey spent the week here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Love.

Miss Nora Saathoff spent Friday night with her parents at Yancey.

Mr. W. C. Eichhorn accompanied his mother, Mrs. P. Eichhorn, to San Antonio to the doctor where she stayed for a few days.

Mrs. A. O. Biediger and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mangold Sunday at Castroville.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Biry and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Emil Zimmerman at Castroville.

Mr. Armin Breiten from here and Miss Lizzeta Boehle from Quihi were married at the Lutheran church at Hondo last Thursday. They will make their home with his grand-

mother, Mrs. Joe Breiten.

Some of our school girls and boys took first place over at the County Meet at Hondo.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Lynn and children from San Antonio spent the week-end here with Mrs. Lynn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bihartz. Mrs. Crawford and sons from Devine were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Watson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Posch and baby were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Jungman at Big Foot Sunday.

QUIHI NOTES.

Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock Sunday School and Bible Class will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. The usual divine service will begin at 10:30 o'clock. All are cordially welcome at all services in this church.

Lenten service will be held in the Quihi Lutheran Church next Wednesday night. Regard for Christ's sufferings and death as well as respect for the blessed and traditional custom of the church should cause all sincere Christians to observe Lent and also attend the Lenten services, to which all are cordially invited.

Next Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock the Ladies Aid Society of the Lutheran congregation will hold its regular bi-monthly business meeting. The hostesses of the day will be Mesdames Lubbe Boehle, Mathias Saathoff and Alfred Boehle.

A week from next Friday will be Good Friday, a day religiously observed in most churches. This day will be observed in the Quihi Lutheran church with a special service at 10 A. M.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie H. Boehle was baptized Sunday at the close of the divine service in the Lutheran Church and received the name of Helmer Ben. The sponsors for the gentleman were Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Boehle.

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You are Hereby Commanded to summon Henry Castro, the unknown heirs of Henry Castro, the unknown heirs of Lorenzo Castro, the unknown heirs of L. L. White, the unknown heirs of J. W. Hildebrand, the unknown heirs of J. W. Hildebrand, Virginia Hildebrand, the unknown heirs of Virginia Hildebrand, Enoch Jones, the unknown heirs of Enoch Jones, Andrew Brieden Sr., the unknown heirs of Andrew Brieden Sr., Elizabeth Brieden, the unknown heirs of Elizabeth Brieden, Andres Martin, the unknown heirs of Andres Martin, I. A. Paschal, the unknown heirs of I. A. Paschal, G. W. Paschal, the unknown heirs of G. W. Paschal, J. B. Lacoste, the unknown heirs of J. B. Lacoste, John Huggens, the unknown heirs of John Huggens, Angelo Causici, the unknown heirs of Angelo Causici, Fidele Enderle, the unknown heirs of Fidele Enderle, Johanna Enderle, the unknown heirs of Johanna Enderle, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Medina County, to be held at the Court House thereof in Hondo, on the 4th Monday in April A. D. 1927, the same being the 25th day of April A. D. 1927, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 24th day of March A. D. 1927, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 3037, wherein Louis C. Decker, Henry Decker, Robert Decker, Louisa Decker, and Lena Decker, are Plaintiffs and Henry Castro, the unknown heirs of Henry Castro, the unknown heirs of Lorenzo Castro, the unknown heirs of L. L. White, the unknown heirs of J. W. Hildebrand, the unknown heirs of J. W. Hildebrand, Virginia Hildebrand, the unknown heirs of Virginia Hildebrand, Enoch Jones, the unknown heirs of Enoch Jones, Andrew Brieden Sr., the unknown heirs of Andrew Brieden Sr., Elizabeth Brieden, the unknown heirs of Elizabeth Brieden, Andres Martin, the unknown heirs of Andres Martin, I. A. Paschal, the unknown heirs of I. A. Paschal, G. W. Paschal, the unknown heirs of G. W. Paschal, J. B. Lacoste, the unknown heirs of J. B. Lacoste, John Huggens, the unknown heirs of John Huggens, Angelo Causici, the unknown heirs of Angelo Causici, Fidele Enderle, the unknown heirs of Fidele Enderle, Johanna Enderle, the unknown heirs of Johanna Enderle, (all of whose places of residence are unknown to plaintiffs) are defendants. Said petition alleges:

That plaintiffs, as the devisees of the Estates of Jos. Decker and Theresa Decker, both deceased, were on the 1st day of January A. D. 1927, lawfully seized and possessed of the hereinafter described land and premises, holding and claiming the same, in fee simple, when defendants unlawfully entered upon said premises and ejected plaintiffs therefrom, and unlawfully withheld from them the possession thereof.

The said land and premises being described as follows:

All situated in the County of Medina, State of Texas, and being Survey Original Number of Acres

372 (or 327)	H. Castro	160
81	H. Castro	217
78	H. Castro	160
79	H. Castro	160
82	H. Castro	160
314 (or 374)	H. Castro	160

Aggregating 1047 acres, more or less, described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at a point on the West line of said Survey No. 82, 237½ varas South of its N. W. corner, thence East 990 varas; thence South 568½ varas; thence East 475 varas; thence South to the North line of said Survey No. 314 (or 374); thence East 435 varas to N. E. corner of said Survey No. 314 (374); thence South along the East lines of Surveys Nos. 314 (374) and 327 (or 372) 1900 varas to the S. E. corner of said Survey No. 327 (or 372); thence West along South lines of Survey No. 327 (or 372) and Survey No. 78, 1900 varas to the S. W. corner of said Survey No. 78; thence North along the West lines of Surveys Nos. 78, 79, 81 and 82, 3562½ varas to the place of beginning.

Also the following described tracts of land, to-wit:

Survey No.	Original Grantee	No. of Acres.
105	A. Brieden	320
137	B. F. I. Co.	640
106	Henry Castro	320
415	J. Huggens	320
107	A. Martin	320
104	L. Rihn	320
416	Denis Sauter	320
138	B. F. I. Co.	640
194	G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co.	320

Said tracts aggregating 3520 acres of land, more or less, and being all of the above named surveys.

Plaintiffs further represent to the court they, as devisees of the Estates of Joseph Decker and Theresa Decker, both deceased, have a good and perfect title to said land and premises, above described, under and by virtue of the Statute of Limitations of Five (5) years for the reason that plaintiffs and their parents, under whom plaintiffs claim title thereto, the said Jos. Decker and Theresa Decker, have had peaceable and adverse possession of all of the above described land and premises, cultivating, using and enjoying the same, and paying all taxes due thereon, and claiming the title thereto under a deed or deeds, duly registered in Medina County, Texas, where said land is situated, for more than Five (5) years prior to the institution of this suit.

Plaintiffs further represent to the court that they as devisees of the Estate of Jos. Decker and Theresa Decker, both deceased, have a good

and perfect title to all of the above described land and premises, under and by virtue of the Statute of Limitations of Ten (10) years for the reason that plaintiffs and their parents, under whom plaintiffs claim title thereto, the said Jos. Decker and Theresa Decker, both deceased, have had peaceable and adverse possession of all of said lands and premises, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for more than ten (10) years prior to the institution of this suit.

That plaintiffs bring this suit for the purpose of determining the estate and interest, if any, of each and all of said defendants herein, or any person or persons who may claim under them, in and to the land and premises, above described, and that the court may determine and vest the title to said land and premises in plaintiffs free from any and all claims of said defendants, or any of them, or any one claiming under them, and that such title may be forever settled by a decree of court.

Wherefore plaintiffs pray that the defendants, the names of a part of whom are unknown to plaintiffs, and the places of residence of all of said defendants are unknown to plaintiffs, be cited by publication to appear and answer herein as provided by law; and upon a final hearing of this cause that plaintiffs have judgment and a decree of this court adjudicating the title to the above described land and premises to be in plaintiffs free from all claims in favor of said defendants, or any of them, and that plaintiffs have such other and further orders and decrees, legal or equitable, to which they may be justly entitled.

Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given Under My Hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Hondo, this, the 24th day of March A. D. 1927.

Issued same day.
(L. S.) AUGUST KEMPF,
Clerk District Court, Medina County.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Medina County GREETING:—

You are hereby commanded to summon Samuel Wallick, the unknown heirs of Samuel Wallick, A. Siemering, the unknown heirs of A. Siemering, Julius Hafner, the unknown heirs of Julius Hafner, Jas. B. Perkins, the unknown heirs of Jas. B. Perkins, J. W. Hildebrand, the unknown heirs of J. W. Hildebrand, John Ford, the unknown heirs of John Ford, Eugenia A. Thompson Wickes, the unknown heirs of Eugenia A. Thompson Wickes, Amelia Castro, the unknown heirs of Amelia Castro, Henry Castro, the unknown heirs of Henry Castro, Lorenzo Castro, the unknown heirs of Lorenzo Castro, Enoch Jones, the unknown heirs of Enoch Jones, Jos. Ulrich, the unknown heirs of Jos. Ulrich, all of whose places of residence are unknown, by making publication of this Citation once each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Medina County, to be held at the Court House thereof in Hondo, on the 4th Monday in April A. D. 1927, the same being the 25th day of April, A. D. 1927, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 17th day of March A. D. 1927, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 3034, wherein Claude W. Gilliam is Plaintiff, and Samuel Wallick, the unknown heirs of Samuel Wallick, A. Siemering, the unknown heirs of A. Siemering, Julius Hafner, the unknown heirs of Julius Hafner, Jas. B. Perkins, the unknown heirs of Jas. B. Perkins, J. W. Hildebrand, the unknown heirs of J. W. Hildebrand, John Ford, the unknown heirs of John Ford, Eugenia A. Thompson Wickes, the unknown heirs of Eugenia A. Thompson Wickes, Amelia Castro, the unknown heirs of Amelia Castro, Henry Castro, the unknown heirs of Henry Castro, Lorenzo Castro, the unknown heirs of Lorenzo Castro, Enoch Jones, the unknown heirs of Enoch Jones, Jos. Ulrich, the unknown heirs of Jos. Ulrich, are defendants.

Plaintiff sues in trespass to try title and to recover possession of 99½ acres of land, situated in Medina County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: 330 acres, out of Surveys Nos. 92 and 375, originally granted to John Leinweber; 334 acres out of Surveys Nos. 93 and 276 originally granted to August Leinweber; 263 acres out of Survey No. 191, in name of G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co., and 64 acres, out of Survey No. 193, in name of G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co.; Said 99½ acres of land being described by metes and bounds as follows:—

Beginning at a mound of rocks made for N. W. corner of Survey No. 93, from which a L. O. brs. E. 6 varas and a L. O. brs. S. 39½ E. 14 varas (Old bearings); thence West 1358 varas to a mound of rocks; thence South 1357 varas to a mound of rocks; thence East 1355 varas to a mound of rocks on West boundary line of Survey 109; thence North with West boundary line of Survey No. 109, 380 varas to a mound of rocks, the N. W. corner of Survey No. 109, from which a L. O. 10 inches in dia. brs. S. 49 W. 15 varas (Old bearings); thence North 89 degrees 30 min. E. 1940 varas to a stake and mound, the N. E. corner of Survey No. 109; thence South North with East lines of Surveys Nos. 276 and 92, 1947 varas to mound of rocks, the N. E. corner of Survey No. 92; thence West with North lines of Surveys Nos. 92 and 375, 1940 varas, the N. W. corner of Survey No. 375; thence South with West boundary line of Survey No. 375, 970 varas to the place of beginning, being the same land conveyed to Emma Neuman, wife of A. L. Neuman, by X. Wantz and wife, Rosa Wantz, by deed, dated May 5th, 1921, recorded in the Deed Records

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of Medina County, Texas, in Book A. No. 62 on page 632, and filed for record on May 11th, 1921.

Plaintiff represents to the Court that he has a good and perfect title to said land and premises under and by virtue of the Statute of limitations of 5 years for the reason that plaintiff, and the said Emma Neuman and husband, A. L. Neuman, under whom plaintiff claims title to said land and premises, have had peaceable and adverse possession of said land, cultivating, using and enjoying the same and paying all taxes due thereon and claiming the title thereto under and by virtue of a deed from the aforesaid X. Wantz and wife, Rosa Wantz, to the said Emma Neuman, dated, filed and recorded as aforesaid, being duly registered in Medina County, Texas, where said land is situated, for a period of more than five (5) years prior to the institution of this suit.

Plaintiff further represents to the Court that he has a good and perfect title to said land and premises under and by virtue of the Statute of limitations of 10 years for the reason that plaintiff, and those under whom he claims, have had peaceable and adverse possession of said land, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for more than 10 years prior to the institution of this suit.

Plaintiff brings this suit for the purpose of determining the estate and interest, if any, of each and all of the defendants herein, or any person or persons who may claim under them, in and to said land and premises; and that the court may determine and vest the title to said land in plaintiff free from any one claiming under them adversely to plaintiff, and that such title may be forever settled by a decree of Court.

Wherefore plaintiff prays that the defendants the names of part of whom are unknown to plaintiff, be cited by publication to appear and answer herein as provided by the Statutes of this State; and upon a final hearing of this cause plaintiff have judgment and a decree of Court adjudicating the title to the above described land and premises to be in plaintiff free from all claims in favor of said defendants, or any of them and that the title to said land be vested in plaintiff, and further that plaintiff have such other and further orders and decrees, legal or equitable to which he may be justly entitled.

Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given Under My Hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Hondo, this, the 17th day of March, A. D. 1927.

Issued same day.
(L. S.) AUGUST KEMPF,
Clerk District Court, Medina County.

IF I KNEW YOU AND YOU KNEW ME.

By W. E. Cooper.

If I knew you and you knew me,
'Tis seldom we would disagree;
But, never having yet clasped hands,

Both often fail to understand
That each intends to do what's right
And treat each other "honor bright."
How little to complain there'd be
If I knew you and you knew me.

When'er we ship you by mistake,
Or in your bill some error make,
From irritation you'd be free
If I knew you and you knew me.
Or when the checks don't come on time,

And customers send nary a line,
We'd wait without anxiety
If I knew you and you knew me.

Or when some goods you "fire back,"
Or make a "kick" on this or that,
We'd take it in good part, you see,
If I knew you and you knew me.
With customers a million strong
Occasionally things go wrong—
Sometimes our fault, sometimes

it's theirs—
Forbearance would decrease all cares;
Kind friend, how pleasant things
would be
If I knew you and you knew me.

Then let no doubting thoughts abide
Of firm good faith on either side;
Confidence to each other give,
Living ourselves, let others live;
But anytime you come this way,
That you will call we hope and pray;
Then face to face we each shall see
And I'll know you and you'll know me.

The American people want no war with Mexico. There is little danger of our becoming involved in one either, despite the manipulations of the oil interests to that end, unless Mexico is backed up by a coalition between England and Japan. In that event we would have to fight the rest of the world with the United States playing very much the same role Germany played in the last world war. American oil interests would do well to beware of how they play with fire in a world-wide powder mill.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Medina County Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded to summon B. U. Davis, alias J. N. Davidson, whose place of residence is unknown, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Medina County, to be held at the Court House thereof in Hondo, on the 4th Monday in April A. D. 1927, the same being the 25th day of April A. D. 1927, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 22nd day of March A. D. 1927 in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 3036, wherein Rose Neuman Davis is Plaintiff, and B. U. Davis, alias J. N. Davidson, is Defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff has resided in Texas twelve months and in Medina County six months next preceding filing this suit; that on or about June 28, 1926, plaintiff was married to defendant in Uvalde County, Texas, at which time defendant was going by the name of B. U. Davis; that on or about January 14, 1920, defendant under his correct name, J. N. Davidson, married a woman by name of Lucy Vera Haynes in Bell County, Texas, which marriage has not been dissolved; that plaintiff's maiden name is Rose Neuman; that said marriage relations of plaintiff and defendant still exist; that they cohabitated for only a short time after said marriage, since when they have not lived together as husband and wife; that the unlawful and bigamous conduct of defendant render further living with him insupportable to plaintiff. Plaintiff prays that defendant be cited to appear and answer herein, that said marriage be dissolved and annulled, and plaintiff be restored to her maiden name, for costs including Fifty Dollars attorney's fee, and for general and special legal and equitable relief.

Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given Under My Hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Hondo, Texas, this, the 22nd day of March A. D. 1927.

Issued same day.
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Clerk District Court, Medina County.

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It was ever the fate of him who thinks beyond his fellows to be thought insincere!

In proportion to the land that will be cultivated this year, the normal acreage of cotton may be expected. What else can the cotton farmer do?

Indications are that a considerable acreage of farm land will lie out this year. This is as it should be, for unless the land owner can cultivate it at a profit it is better to let it lie out.

The time of the year when the farmer must meet those insidious foes of his crops, bugs and worms, approaches. Thrice armed is he who is armed and on guard in advance of the approach of the enemy.

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Farmers of Southwest Texas have a fair planting season in the ground and livestock have come through a mild winter in good shape. The only ominous cloud on the farmer's horizon is the prospect of unremunerative prices for the proceeds of his toil.

For an investment in good-will and happiness nothing else can beat sending us your own name and the name of three friends as subscribers to FARMING. You thus insure the happiness of five people in one stroke—and a two dollar bill will do the trick!

The fear of trouble in Central America and in Mexico is now largely lost sight of in the more serious menace in China. It begins to look like our Uncle Samuel is entirely too meddlesome in the affairs of other nations for the good of his nephews at home.

The farmer whose cream check is coming in regularly and whose biddies are on the job of laying eggs is neither worried about the high charges of credit prices nor the size of the cotton surplus. The moral is obvious: Diversify with livestock and poultry.

The farmer who produces the food and feed consumed on his farm gets it at the cost of production; the farmer who buys it must pay in addition the transportation costs, dealer's profits, insurance charges and the loss from wastage. Which man will buy the cheapest?

THE SINGER.

For he who on the Muse's joyous wing
Would rise o'er life's sordid things to soar
Must first attune his raptured heart to sing
And from its fullness his music pour!
—Fletcher Davis.

EDUCATION AS THE FARMER SEES IT.

Do not strive to keep the farm children on the farm, but make available to them educational opportunities equal to those provided for city children, that rural as well as urban children may receive the foundations of a liberal education and thus be prepared to follow the activity in life for which they are best adapted. This is one of the conclusions expressed informally at a meeting of a large group of Iowa farm people recently and reported by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation in the November issue of "Midland Schools," the Iowa State Teachers' Association publication.

Other opinions concurred in by the group mentioned were: "The burden of school support should be equalized throughout the State; schools should care for those for whom regular enrollment in a public school is impossible; agriculture should receive more attention in the State's school system; qualifications of teachers should be raised, especially in one-room and consolidated schools; moral conditions in the schools should be improved.

The work of rural schools, as pointed out by this group of farmers, is training for citizenship in a Nation where adult activity is complicated and varied. Rural children are entitled to that broad training which will help them to develop in the best possible manner and offer them opportunities to "find them-

FINANCIAL STATISTICS OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT OF TEXAS, FOR 1926.

Washington, D. C., March 29, 1927.—The Department of Commerce announces a summary of the financial statistics of the State of Texas for the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1926.

Expenditures

The payments for maintenance and operation of the general departments of Texas for the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1926, amounted to \$52,700,659, or \$9.98 per capita. This includes \$22,541,673, apportionments for education to the minor civil divisions of the State. In 1925 the comparative per capita for maintenance and operation of general departments was \$10.88, and in 1917, \$4.59. The interest on debt amounted to \$215,154; and outlays for permanent improvements, \$13,527,461. The total payments, therefore, for expenses of general departments, interest, and outlays were \$66,443,274. The totals include all payments for the year, whether made from current revenues or from the proceeds of bond issues.

Of the governmental costs reported above, \$19,384,671 was for highways, \$8,070,436 being for maintenance and \$11,314,235 for construction.

Revenues

The total revenue receipts of Texas for 1926 were \$72,106,131, or \$13.66 per capita. This was \$19,190,318 more than the total payments of the year, exclusive of the payments for permanent improvements, and \$5,662,857 more than the total payments including those for permanent improvements. This excess of revenue receipts is reflected in pur-

selves" for their life work. In order that rural schools meet their obligations most satisfactorily, the best principles in school administration, finance, supervision, and organization must be employed.—Selected.

Dr. Foster, a cotton statistics expert, writing in the Progressive Farmer, predicts that a 10 per cent acreage cut will mean 12½ cent cotton; a 20 per cent cut, 14½ cents; and 30 per cent 17-cent prices. In other words, a 10 per cent acreage-reduction will give us only \$880,000,000 for the crop, while if we cut 30 per cent and spend the extra time fishing, we will get \$55,000,000 more money with less work! Why, then, we ask go "hog-wild" over planting cotton?

Because the other fellow is going to have to plant his normal acreage of cotton, it behooves you to try to make your farm as near self-sustaining as possible. In that way you will profit both by securing much of your necessities at their production cost and you reduce by that much the ruinous competition for a market for your surplus cotton.

The American people went to Europe nearly two and a half million strong "to make the world safe for democracy", and came home and slammed the door of hope and refuge in this land of opportunity in the faces of the very same sort of people to whom we point with pride of ancestry and whose posterity has given this country its greatness. Some consistency, not?

chase of investments and in cash balances, not shown in this summary. Property and special taxes represented 40.6 per cent of the total revenue for 1926, 42.5 per cent for 1925, and 56.6 per cent for 1917. The increase in the amount of property and special taxes collected was 99.4 per cent from 1917 to 1925, and 6.5 per cent from 1925 to 1926. The per capita property and special taxes were \$5.54 in 1926, \$5.42 in 1925, and \$3.10 in 1917.

Earnings of general departments, or compensation for services rendered by state officials, represented 5.0 per cent of the total revenue for 1926, 5.2 per cent for 1925, and 16.7 per cent for 1917.

Business and nonbusiness licenses constitutes 34.3 per cent of the total revenue for 1926, 33.7 per cent for 1925, and 12.5 per cent for 1917.

Receipts from business licenses consist chiefly of taxes exacted from insurance and other incorporated companies of occupation taxes, and of sales tax on gasoline, while those from nonbusiness licenses comprise chiefly taxes on motor vehicles and amounts paid for hunting and fishing privileges.

The net indebtedness (funded or fixed debt less sinking fund assets) of Texas on Aug. 31, 1926, was \$4,412,566, or 0.84 per capita. In 1925 the per capita debt was 0.87, and in 1917, \$1.07.

Assessed Valuation and Tax Levies For 1926 the assessed valuation of property in Texas subject to ad valorem taxation was \$3,674,414,327; the amount of State taxes levied was \$23,883,692; and the per capita levy, \$4.52. In 1925 the per capita levy was \$5.47, and in 1917, \$3.86.

Hon. Clarence Ousley took a three-column fall out of President Coolidge's veto of the so-called farm relief bill. The farmers should be very grateful to Mr. Ousley for talking, for every time he talks he unwittingly lets out a palpable truth. For instance, he states that with the McNary-Haugen bill working and with a seven-million bale surplus in the hands of the Farm Board, the Board could force a reduction of acreage by selling that surplus below its cost of production. Wouldn't that trim your whiskers for you! Take the farmer's surplus cotton, tax him for the expense of handling and then sell it below cost to club him into submission to dictation as to what acreage he shall plant! That is what he said, or words to that effect. And that is just how it would work out on the ground. Think you want any of it?

A recent press despatch from Austin intimates broadly and not without considerable plausibility that somebody has been lying about the amount of money available for use by the highway department. 'Twas ever thus, and forever shall be—that where there is so much money involved and to be farmed out by politicians where it will do the most political good, then as has will try to hold on and them as hasn't will snarl and growl at them as holds. FARMING still maintains that for the sake of the peace and dignity of the state, not to say anything about economy, the state highway department should be abolished and all road management turned back to the counties where it belongs.

The money that some zealous patriots contributed towards financing the million-bale cotton pool last fall is now being returned to the donors, less some forty or fifty thousand dollars that it cost to find out—what many of us were convinced of before hand—that it wouldn't work. Not a bale of cotton was financed in so far as any one ever heard of. And so goes most high-born schemes for helping the farmer—after he is beyond helping!

Aaron Sapiro is suing Henry Ford for a million dollars damages. Aaron claims that Henry has libeled him. And now Henry has gone and printed Aaron's picture in his Dear-born weekly. And we are frank to plead that Aaron is either entitled to damages for having himself caricatured or else he ought to be shot at sunrise on general principles. God never put a face like it on an honest man.

To a disengaged looker-on from the side-lines it would seem that before sending missionaries to meddle with the followers of Confucius, it might be well to first "cleanup" on some of the "followers" of nothing and nobody among our so-called learned men at home—men who are robbing our youth of their spiritual birthright of faith and hope and putting only emptiness and despair in its place!

Elsewhere in this paper Fred W. Davis sounds a timely warning against too much diversification. As he so ably points out, diversified crops to the extent of supplying the farm needs economically is a good thing. But a system of diversification that will leave a large surplus of perishable products on the farmers' hands after his own needs have been supplied may be quite as disastrous as an over-production of cotton.

The lower house of the Texas Legislature passed the buck up to Dan by passing the bill repealing the Amnesty Act of the 39th Legislature. Come on, Dan, and sign it; every body knows that you have been animated by hate and a desire to profit politically by it in the whole mess, and no one expects you to hold consistent with your hightoned pronouncements of the beginning.

The March issue of FARMING carried the following editorial:

A WISE VETO.

All honor to President Coolidge for saving the American farmer from the hands of his fool friends.

The farmer seems to be afflicted with more of that kind, among politicians, than any other class.

We refer to his courageous vetoing of the so-called farm relief measure known as the McNary-Haugen bill.

We have noticed for many years that practically every proposed measure affecting agriculture has been class legislation of the grossest kind and much of it so surcharged with socialism and paternalism as to make it dangerous.

And we have marveled at politicians and rural leaders, wearing the name of Democrat, who have given their sanction to these dangerous and often wild-eyed theories.

The McNary-Haugen bill is no exception, and President Coolidge, while he will probably be made the scape-goat of his party to palliate the disgruntled, socialist-inoculated farmers of the West, is deserving of the gratitude of the nation for saving us from the dangerous experiment.

Before us as we write is a letter on the subject from a Congressman who voted for the measure.

From it we quote:

"This proposed farm relief program is sometimes referred to as 'class' legislation. The same thing may be said about many other acts of Congress. We have built up an artificial economic standard for the benefit of almost everyone else except the farmers. We have provided high tariff for industry. We have passed the eight hour law and the immigration restriction measure for the benefit of labor. We have passed the Esch-Cummins law for the protection of the railroads. We have provided the Federal Reserve System to help the banking business. Farmers buy in a protected market and sell in an unprotected market. Their economic status is decidedly unfavorable, and it is bound to reflect itself in a lessened national prosperity.

"I realize that the McNary-Haugen Bill has been referred to persistently as economically unsound and dangerous. *** It may be that the McNary-Haugen Bill will not accomplish all that its advocates claim for it. But it is the only proposal which seems to give any real promise. Assuming that it is an experiment, we can at least try it. It ought to work, and if it does it will be a blessing to everyone."

Such specious arguments never came from a real statesman; they are the emanations of a time server and a politician instead. No one or half-dozen wrongs ever made another wrong right no matter how strong the sophistry plead in its favor.

What the farmer needs and what the real statesman will propose in his behalf is not more class-legislation and paternalistic petting, but a repeal of those class laws of which he is the victim and a restoration to him of equal rights with all.

What he needs is not a "revolving fund" to keep him enmeshed in governmental financing to the enrichment of those who handle the funds and tax him for it while the government merchandises his surplus for him.

What he needs is a tearing down of those tariff walls that discriminate against him in favor of the foreign consumer.

What he needs is an exchange of his products at an equal value with the products of an eight-hour laborer.

What he needs is an open world for the employment of labor where it suits him best.

What he needs is a transportation service with the cost based on the value of the service rendered and not

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MORE ABOUT THE PRESIDENT'S VETO

an inferior service subsidized for its wastefulness at the expense of the taxpayers.

What he needs is a credit system that pays no useless tolls between himself and the source of the credit.

In short, what the farmer needs—and what he is not going to get so long as crooked leaders can mislead him—is not more class legislation but an equal chance in life's economic struggle where the practice as well as the principle prevails of—

"Equal rights to all and special privileges to none."

The editor of an obscure little sheet known as the Claude News, up on the wind-swept plains of the Panhandle somewhere, read it, contracted a virulent attack of mental colic and proceeded at once to throw the following fit:

"Fletcher's Farming of Hondo, Texas, informs us that 'All honor is due President Coolidge for vetoing the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill.' And Fletcher Davis claims to be editing a farm paper, too. Ship subsidies, high tariffs to protect special interests, etc., are all right, but when it comes to helping the farmer, he can go to h— as far as this supposed-to-be farm paper is concerned.

He ought to lose one-third to half of his subscriptions in a few weeks. A farm paper that would go against anything that even pretends to help our farmers is not a farm paper and never will be. We are for the farmers, first, last and all the time, for the reason that when the farmer gets what is coming to him every one else in the nation will get theirs. To help the farmer is to help everybody else in this nation. If the McNary-Haugen bill did nothing else but set the price of cotton at 20 cents or more, that alone would be worth millions of dollars to cotton farmers. Mr. Coolidge knew there would be a few weak-kneed Democrats and Republicans who would side in with him in opposing the best interests of the farming class and believed it would not hurt his THIRD TERM aspirations for President. He will find that millions of farmers will vote against him because he was against them in vetoing their favorite bill, which has been many years in trying to go through Congress. We hope the bill passes over his nefarious and vicious veto."

The author of the above fulmination was so proud of it that he sent us a copy thereof generously marked. For which we thank him!

We like to be amused. But our pleasure is somewhat marred by our disappointment that he would handle the truth so recklessly and ashamed, for the sake of the craft, that a member thereof would so abuse himself.

For instance, he could have saved himself the trouble of saying—

"His implying that we should have been deterred from saying what we believe is the truth, what we believe is to the farmers' best interest and what we propose to back up to the loss of not a part but of every subscriber if need be, because of fear of pecuniary loss is to convict himself of being animated by such cowardice."

Shame on you, Mr. Claude Newsman!

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We don't deny it; we admit it. But when he purposely falsifies our statements and our purpose, as he does in the following—

"Ship subsidies, high tariffs to protect special interests, etc., are all right, but when it comes to helping the farmer he can go to h— as far as this supposed-to-be farm paper is concerned."

we must mildly protest that we never said it and—"you are another!"

We hate to do it, but in confirmation and substantiation we merely cite the reader again to an understanding perusal of the original editorial in question.

We are not responsible for the Claude News man's reputation for truth and veracity.

That is within his own care and keeping.

But we submit he should be more careful with it!

Some people are born "windys", however, and can't help themselves; are rather to be pitied than censured for their weakness.

But when he says, speaking of us, that—

"He ought to lose one-third to half of his subscriptions in a few weeks"—

that hurts; hurts not FARMING but the whole newspaper fraternity. If every subscriber who does not agree with everything the Claude News editor says and does were to apply that rule to him the next time he stepped out of his office he would be outside the limits of his circulation.

And unless he has a most unusual home, it wouldn't circulate even there, among his wife and children!

Whether the Claude News man doesn't know that much or just suffered from a lapse of memory is immaterial, however, in comparison to the worse feature of such a statement.

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honest convictions openly expressed and ready to trade the birthright of courageous opinion for the pottage of a little patronage.

For shame on such an abasement by one of the craft!

"A farm paper that would go against anything that even pretends to—

"Pretends"—listen will you?—

—"to help our farmers is not a farm paper and never will be!"

"Pretends", though unwittingly so no doubt, was happily chosen. Pretended help is all the farmer would have gotten out of this proposal—plus the additional tax burden of helping keep it up;—pretense is about all farmers ever get out of proposed political panaceas; and pretense is all sensible farmers ever expect from the political gestures of the present brand of politicians now usurping the places so badly in need of statesmanship.

We submit in all fairness that the real friends of the farmers are not those who, thinking thereby to hold on to a few ready-to-slip subscribers, pick up every "pretense" and exclaim: "Behold how good and beautiful it is; grab it!"

But on the contrary, the real friend of the farmer is he who helps him sift the "pretended" from the real, the false from the true, and having found the true, the real, hold fast to that which is good.

Any other course can ultimately lead but to disaster.

And you, Mr. Claude Newsman, must come to the right path before you can be really and truly "for" the farmer and not merely one in the numerous ranks of the "pretenders."

Not to do so is to make a mockery of your claim that you—

—"are for the farmer first, last and all the time," etc.

And what basis in fact has the Claude News for believing that the bill in question would set the price of cotton at 20 cents or keep it there if it did?

With the lesson of the 1920-21 deflation by the Federal Reserve banks fresh in memory, does it not know that if the power to raise prices vested in the Farm Board, equal power to lower in the same Board; and that it must follow that the Board would be either powerless to help the farmer or else the farmer would be within the absolute power of the Board?

We rather admire President Coolidge for his courageous act because, if he has any third term aspirations—which we hope he is too big to entertain—he must have realized that his party leaders in congress, by cowardly passing the buck up to him, were destroying his chances by making him the goat.

In the light of it all, his action is worthy of taking an honorable place in history along with Andrew Jackson's veto of the national bank measure in his day.

Had we had a Jackson or a Coolidge in the right place at the right time to have killed the other companion legislation of like iniquity, they would not now be pleaded as a damning precedent for this government's still further essay into paternalism.

If instead of pleading them as a precedent, present statesmanship would use this veto as an opening gap to the repeal of the laws that have made other classes the special pets and wards of the government and restore our government to the sound principles of liberty and equality for all and special privileges for none, upon which our forefathers founded it, popular free government would get a new lease on life on the soil of America.

But if a subservient and cowardly press is, as is advocated by the Claude News, to be deterred from an honest and courageous discussion of it for fear of the loss of a few subscribers, then indeed there is neither hope for the farmers nor any of the rest of us.

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Rev. Raymond Vernimont, Denton, Texas.

My dear Sir: I have fully meant to write you and thank you for the friendly letter which you took the time to send me a few days ago about the Dallas News article of Feb. 9th inst.

Allow me in return to say that I note the many good things which you say in your communications to Fletcher's Farming, as well as in some others of our Press. No writers in my reading are delivering sounder appeals for clean living than are found in your "Musings Of a Minister."

Especially does the public need your advice in regard to habits of dress and some other vicious habits both among men and women, boys and girls.

Route 2, Athens, Texas.

March 9, 1927.

Editor Fletcher's Farming, Hondo, Texas.

Dear Sir:—Today I saw my first copy of your farm paper. I am delighted with it. I am sending subscription to begin with the issue of April 1st.

Very respectfully,
Mrs. Irvin Pickle.

I wish you health and joy in continued service for the uplift of the race.

Again thanking you, I remain,
Sincerely,

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Paris, Texas.

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